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Jason Smathers
Via Email: requests@muckrock.com

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This is a final response to your request dated November 14, 2010, to INTERPOL Washington, U.S. National Central Bureau (USNCB) pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). You asked for a fee waiver as a representative of the news media. You requested the following documents:

1. The most recent USNCB Organizational Chart. This document was provided to you on December 7, 2010.
2. Fiscal Year 2010 FOIA Log. The information was provided to you on September 1, 2011.
3. Fiscal Year 2010 reports of the USNCB's Assistant Director, Terrorism and Violent Crimes (TVC) Division to the Director Deputy Director and/or Attorney General's office on the current status on the TVC Division.

After carefully reviewing the reports, we have determined that they are not appropriate for release. The contents of USNCB investigative files were recompiled into these reports. The non-exempt information contained in the reports is so intertwined with the exempt information that no meaningful portions of the reports are releaseable. Therefore, we are withholding the reports in full, pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552 (b)(7)(A), (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(F) of the FOIA.

Exemption (b)(7)(A) authorizes the withholding of records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes to the extent it could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings.

Exemption (b)(6) concerns material the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy of third parties.

Exemption (b)(7)(C) of the FOIA relates to records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or

information, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to constitute an invasion of personal privacy.

Exemption (b)(7)(D) provides protection for records or information that could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of a confidential source, including a state, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of a record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, information furnished by a confidential source.

Information originating with INTERPOL and foreign National Central Bureaus is provided to the USNCB pursuant to resolutions adopted by INTERPOL in 1974 and 1988, and the information is provided to USNCB with an understanding that it is for law enforcement purposes only.

Exemption (b)(7)(E) exempts from disclosure information compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which would disclose certain techniques or procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions.

Exemption (b)(7)(F) protects law enforcement information that could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual.

A fee waiver is not applicable because the fees associated with the production of this request have fallen below the Department of Justice's threshold of \$25.00, resulting in no charge.


If you are not satisfied with the actions of the USNCB on your request, you may appeal by writing to: Co-Director, Office of Information Policy, U.S. Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001.

You must make your appeal in writing and it must be received by the Office of Information Policy within 60-days of the date of the letter denying your request. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Allison Tanaka at (202) 353-0803.

Sincerely,

Timothy A. Williams
Director

By: 
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General Counsel